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Mr. Edward M. Peasley  
Editor, El Paso Herald-Post  
El Paso, Texas

Dear Mr. Peasley:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter  
dated 19 December 1947 concerning [REDACTED]

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Your interest in our national security is greatly  
appreciated. The information submitted in your letter will be  
given every consideration.

Sincerely,

s/ RHH - Disp to GR 1/13/48  
R. H. HILLMAN  
Rear Admiral, USN  
Director of Central Intelligence

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Edward M. Pooley  
Editor

December 19, 1947

Rear Admiral R. H. Hillenkoetter  
Director, Central Intelligence Agency  
2430 E Street, NW  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Admiral Hillenkoetter:

I am writing you at the suggestion of Marshall McNeil, our Washington correspondent.

I spent the better part of last summer traveling in Europe with the Army and in the Pacific with the Navy. The result has been that I have had to make numerous talks in El Paso and this section. My talks have always ended with a warning of the Russian danger. As Comrade Vishinsky would say, I have been a "warmonger."



A few inquiries revealed that he had run from the Reds years ago and that he was well thought of in the college and the town. Otherwise I know nothing about him.

The point is: if he can start a revolution in Russia, it will be a great thing for the U. S. and the world. Chaos in Russia for a while would help a lot to end the chaos in the rest of Europe and perhaps save us from another war.

Probably you already have a dossier on the man and know whether he has any chance to do what he says he can do, but I am passing along the information for whatever it is worth and whatever use you wish to make of it.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ E. M. Pooley

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